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Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Restriction Requirement mailed March 22, 2005, and prior to substantive examination of the captioned application, applicants elect, without traverse, the invention of Group I directed to a system and process for processing can end shells. Claims 1-3 and 10-11 are deemed to read on the elected invention. Claims 4-9 may be withdrawn as being directed to a non-elected invention.

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